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TOKENIZATION AND SELECTIVE COMPRESSION

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PRELIMINARY MENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated July 15, 2005, and preliminary to examination according to the enclosed Request for Continued Examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.